



# Towards the EU Research & Innovation Programme after 2020

## SSH Research and Innovation

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# EU Policy context

- ***Commission Priorities: Democratic Change; Jobs, Growth and Investment; Justice and Fundamental Rights; Migration; Deeper and Fairer European Internal Market.***
- ***Rome Agenda call to work towards: "a social Europe" and "a Union which preserves our cultural heritage and promotes cultural diversity".***

# TOWARDS FP9:

## Key findings from the H2020 INTERIM EVALUATION



### ➤ **Key strengths:**

- Attractive, simplified and well-performing programme
- Strong EU added value through competition, unique cooperation opportunities and access to new knowledge

### ➤ **Key areas for improvement:**

- Underfunding leading to large-scale oversubscription
- Stronger involvement of citizens needed in agenda-setting and implementation

### ➤ **Report of the independent High Level Group (chaired by Pascal Lamy):**

*'LAB – FAB – APP: Investing in the European future we want'*

# SSH Research and Innovation (1)

- ✓ ***Building on H2020 Societal Challenge 6 achievements***
- ✓ **Interim Evaluation shows SC6 SSH R&I successful in tackling aftermath of economic and social crises, migration challenge, and issues of trust, governance and cultural diversity in Europe.**
- ✓ **SC6 WP 2018-2020: 3 Calls – Migration, Transformations, Governance**
- ✓ **SC6 WP update bridge to FP9.**

# SSH Research and Innovation (2)

- ***Wide approach with appropriate budget allocation necessary for the future.***
- ***H2020 SC6 Interim Evaluation shows clear EU value-added in setting agendas, addressing research gaps, tackling European challenges etc. Also demonstrates strong interest on SSH research but low success rates and oversubscription. SC6 among lowest under Horizon 2020 (5.4 % of applications).***
- ***Interim Evaluation 64.1% of projects funded would not have gone ahead without EU funding. 29.2% of projects would have gone ahead with significant modifications.***

# Policy context

- ***SSH R&I strategic for the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals:***
- ***Ending poverty (Goal 1); quality education (Goal 4); reducing inequality (Goal 10); promoting inclusive growth and a decent work for all (Goal 8); making human settlements inclusive, resilient and sustainable (Goal 11); promoting just, peaceful and inclusive societies, rule of law, effective and capable institutions (Goal 16).***

# SSH for inclusive, democratic, resilient European societies

- *Achieving goals in democratic governance; social cohesion and inclusion; migration and integration; protecting and promoting cultural heritage; reap benefits of technological advancements while promoting a model of inclusive and sustainable growth.*
- *Building on social model and defending fundamental values like freedom, democracy, respect for human dignity and human rights, equality, and the rule of law.*